

WC DOCKET NO. 10-90

IN THE MATTER OF)	FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS
CONNECT AMERICA FUND)	
HIGH-COST UNIVERSAL SERVICE)	
SUPPORT)	COMMISSION

PROJECT NO. 24481

DESIGNATION OF COMMON	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
CARRIERS AS ELIGIBLE	§	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS	§	
(ETC) TO RECEIVE FEDERAL	§	
UNIVERSAL FUNDS PURSUANT TO	§	
THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS	§	
COMMISSION'S FOURTEENTH	§	
REPORT AND ORDER ADOPTING A	§	
STATE CERTIFICATION PROCESS	§	OF TEXAS

PROJECT NO. 32567

ANNUAL COMPLIANCE AFFIDAVIT	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
ATTESTING TO PROPER USE OF	§	
TEXAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND	§	
PURSUANT TO PURA § 56.030	§	OF TEXAS

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

Worldcall Interconnect, Inc. ("Company") hereby submits the Company's relevant annual reporting and certification as directed by the Federal Communications Commission pursuant to WC Docket No. 10-90 and relevant portions of CFR § 54.313 for state designated eligible telecommunications carriers. The Company provides this information to fulfill federal and state requirements as a designated eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") entitled to receive federal High Cost Support from the Federal Universal Service Fund (Texas PUC Docket 32567). Company also submits its annual certification as an eligible telecommunications provider ("ETP") attesting proper use of TUSF pursuant to PURA § 56.030 (Texas PUC Docket 24481).

FCC Rule 54.313 Information

Company provides the following information required by 47 C.F.R. § 54.313

(Annual reporting requirements for high-cost recipients).

[§ 54.313](a) Any recipient of high-cost support shall provide:

(1) A progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to § 54.202(a), including maps detailing its progress towards meeting its plan targets, an explanation of how much universal service support was received and how it was used to improve service quality, coverage, or capacity, and an explanation regarding any network improvement targets that have not been fulfilled in the prior calendar year. The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate;

Response: Company did not receive any state or federal support during the calendar year. Company has, however, initiated build-out. Specifically, Company has obtained rights to dark fiber and/or optical wavelengths on multiple routes along major highways in the service territory, and is in the process of obtaining tower rights or constructing towers that will be connected to the fiber/optical network paths. Company has also secured LTE core and e-node B licenses and is in the finishing stages of its 4G design and initial deployment.

Company plans to initiate service deployment in portions of the service areas where Company has 700 MHz rights in September, 2012. Company will gradually expand deployment to the remaining 700 MHz coverage area over the next several months.

(2) Detailed information on any outage in the prior calendar year, as that term is defined in 47 CFR 4.5, of at least 30 minutes in duration for each service area in which an eligible telecommunications carrier is designated for any facilities it owns, operates, leases, or otherwise utilizes that potentially affect

(i) At least ten percent of the end users served in a designated service area; or

(ii) A 911 special facility, as defined in 47 CFR 4.5(e).

(iii) Specifically, the eligible telecommunications carrier's annual report must include information detailing:

(A) The date and time of onset of the outage;

(B) A brief description of the outage and its resolution;

- (C) The particular services affected;
- (D) The geographic areas affected by the outage;
- (E) Steps taken to prevent a similar situation in the future; and
- (F) The number of customers affected.

Response: Company was not providing service during the prior calendar year. There were no “outages.”

(3) The number of requests for service from potential customers within the recipient’s service areas that were unfulfilled during the prior calendar year. The carrier shall also detail how it attempted to provide service to those potential customers;

Response: Company did not receive any requests for service from potential customers within the Company’s service areas during the prior calendar year. Thus there were no unfulfilled requests, and no reason existed to attempt to provide service to any individual potential customer.

(4) The number of complaints per 1,000 connections (fixed or mobile) in the prior calendar year;

Response: None.

(5) Certification that it is complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules;

Response: Company certifies that it has complied and/or will comply with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules.

(h) Additional voice rate data.

(1) All incumbent local exchange carrier recipients of high-cost support must report all of their rates for residential local service for all portions of their service area, as well as state fees as defined pursuant to § 54.318(e), to the extent the sum of those rates and fees are below the rate floor as defined in § 54.318, and the number of lines for each rate specified. Carriers shall report lines and rates in effect as of June 1.

(2) In addition to the annual filing, local exchange carriers may file updates of their rates for residential local service, as well as state fees as defined pursuant to § 54.318(e), on January 2 of each year. If a local exchange carrier reduces its rates and the sum of the reduced rates and state fees are below the rate floor as defined

in § 54.318, the local exchange carrier shall file such an update. For the update, carriers shall report lines and rates in effect as of December 1.

Response: Company is not a LEC. Therefore 51.313(h) does not apply.

Annual ETC compliance certification

The Public Utility Commission of Texas designated Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) in Docket Nos. 35728 and 36077 by separate orders each dated January 12, 2009 under the name Worldcall Interconnect, Inc. The study area code(s) for the area(s) where the Company has been designated as an ETC is 449055. Under PUCT Staff criteria the service area for which the Company has been designated as an ETC is (circle one):

(A) a rural service area only

(B) a non-rural service area only¹

(C) both a rural and non-rural service area

The Federal Universal Service support funds that will be received by the Company will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities for which the support is intended, as designated by the Federal Communications Commission consistent with § 254(e) of the federal Telecommunications Act. These funds will be used to provide the supported services designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, which are available throughout the Company's study area(s).

Annual ETP compliance certification

¹ Company's position is that Company serves "both a rural and non-rural service area" notwithstanding that the two incumbents that preside over the service area are each treated as a "non-rural" carrier. Company reserves all rights to contend it should have been allowed to circle 2(C) and that 2(C) is in fact and law the proper description of Company's service area given Company's status and its specific service areas.

The Public Utility Commission of Texas designated Company as an eligible telecommunications provider (ETP) in Docket Nos. 35728 and 36077 by separate orders each dated January 12, 2009 under the name Worldcall Interconnect, Inc.

The Company complies with the requirements in PURA and the Commission's Substantive Rules regarding the use of money from each of the following TUSF programs from which disbursements are received (check all that apply):

- ☒ Texas High Cost Universal Service Plan (§ 26.403);
- ☐ Small and Rural ILEC Universal Service Plan (§ 26.404);
- ☐ Implementation of the PURA § 56.025 (§ 26.406);
- ☐ Additional Financial Assistance (§ 26.408);
- ☐ USF Reimbursement for Certain IntraLATA Services (§ 26.410);
- ☐ Lifeline Service and Link Up Service Programs (§ 26.412);
- ☐ Telecommunications Relay Service (§ 26.414);
- ☐ Designation of Eligible Telecommunications Providers to Provide Service to Uncertificated Areas (§ 26.421);
- ☐ Subsequent Petitions for Service in Uncertificated Areas (§ 26.422);
- ☐ High Cost Universal Service Plan for Uncertificated Areas where an ETP Volunteers to Provide Basic Local Telecommunications Service (§ 26.423);
- ☐ Other (please specify _____)

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